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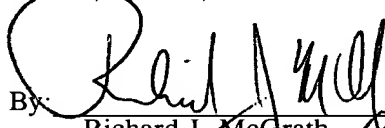
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

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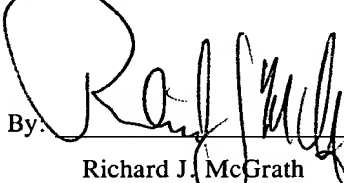
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Applicant hereby requests that the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement be considered and made of record in the application identified in caption. A certification and IDS fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in the amount of \$180.00 (126) are being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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